

ABSTRACT

5 A non-toxic, non-hazardous, environmentally safe composition provides an effective, fast acting cleaning solution for removal of tar, oils, asphalt and other bituminous materials from industrial equipment surfaces. The composition is a mixture of a carrier monocyclic monoterpene and a nonionic surfactant such as an alkylphenol ethoxylate. The mixture is applied directly to surfaces to be cleaned, and rinsed with water in the absence of mechanical intervention.